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SUBJECT: ENCOURAGING VIETNAM TO SUBSCRIBE TO THE HCOC

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(SBU) On June 4, Poloff discussed reftel points on the Hague Code of Conduct Against Ballistic Missile Proliferation (HCOC) with MFA International Organizations Department Assistant to the Director Pham Vinh Quang. Concerning the HCOC, Quang said it is a very complicated issue, but that the GVN will consider the matter seriously and provide its response. More generally, Quang reiterated the GVN's longstanding support for international nonproliferation efforts, noting that the GVN is not a recipient or exporter of any "technology of possible concern." At the same time, the GVN does not deny the right of nations to pursue nuclear and space programs for peaceful purposes.

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